



Fratelli Perata Winery

Fratelli Perata 2006 Petit Verdot, Estate

Variety is the spice of life, they say, and here we have an unusual variety. Found in the Bordeaux region (think Cabernet) of France, this is considered a blender, used to balance, darken and enrich rain-plagued Cabernet Sauvignon. Here, at Fratelli Perata, we produce this 100% varietal to enrich your tasting experiences and your fun in life. This dark, low acid, full-flavored wine shows rich blueberry, versus the cherry flavors of Cabernet. When you read wine reviews of Cabernet, those that tout notes of blueberry really are talking code for the addition of Petit Verdot. We offer this wine so you know what those critics are saying. And, this is just a really good wine on its own. We find it somewhat an end-of-meal wine, pairing with biscotti prepared with dried blueberries. It also is amazingly good with our BBQ Scallops: sweet and salt working with this fruity wine. Enjoy, and revel in your, and the wine's, uniqueness.

Harvested	October 11, 2006
Brix	27
pH	3.24
Fermented	8 days, open top 1 ½ ton fermenter, punched down 4 times/day by hand
Pressed	less than 2 bar pressure to 50/50 new and used American oak barrels
Alcohol	15%, more than usual, but shows great balance without being hot
Bottled	March 24, 2009
Production	90 cases, not enough, but all Estate